

that everybody in the place loves her, A MELON PARTY. On Menday night Mr. Howe, of N

Many Couples at the Rockbridge Alum

Who Conti Claim the "Dunmow Flitch." ROCKERIDGE ALUM SPRINGS, Sept.

still a very popular amusement in the

cut-glass cold cream jar, with a sliver

and Mrs. Russell were the victors, and received the sixteen duplicate whist boards as the reward of their arduous

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## THE DAYS OF PARTING COME

Regretful Good-Byes are Being Said to Some Delightful Guests.

BUT THE WHIRL OF GAIETY GOES ON.

A Congenial Crowd at the Old Sweet Make Such Partings Peculiarly Sad. The Events of the

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On Thursday night Mrs. Plarton Grundy Exve a card party. About forty people spent a very delightful evening. Those winnight the prissa were Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. Lettoy, Mr. Pitt, and Miss Hawe. Chenault, of Richmond, Ky., was the plantst, while Mrs. Frederick J. McCarricli led the choir, which consisted of Mr. Play were exceedingly handsome, consisted of giver scissors, which case, silver pencil, and vinalgrate. A hand-active vinalgratic was also given to the corre.

Eshator Daniel, of Virginia, and Mr. Scatter Vanghan and Mr. Harrison, Miss Lula Cox, and Mrs. Williamson.

In the evening there was song service and a short address by Mr. J. G. Harrison of Harrison, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison have been here the entire summer, and have won many hearts by their charm of manner and conversation.

remained (who days, and anice very much to our pleasure, saturday morning Mrs. Hill, of St. Louis, gave a bowling party to her many friends. The prises were win by Mrs. Globon Darenpart, Mr. Pitt, and Mrs. Pattesyn. They were very unique, consulting of a beautiful belt, with silver sentences.

Miss Justin Moyer, of Trappe, Par, Miss Justin Moyer, of Trappe, Par, Miss Justin Moyer, of Trappe, Par, I boards as factored on Saturday morning before a labors.

Mrs. Harry Gates, of Indianapolis, gave I has great shift, and we felt amply repaid for historing to her.

Mrs. Harry Gates, of Indianapolis, gave I a seven-handed enthre party on the marning of her departure, at which Mrs. Frazier won the first price, a cut-glass winnigrate, and Mrs. A. M. Clarke received a court plaster case as the second cut-glass and a court plaster case as the second cut-glass and a court plaster case as the second cut-glass and a court plaster case as the second cut-glass and a court plaster case as the second cut-glass and a court plaster case as the second cut-glass and cut-gl

Mrs. Rabinson, of Louisville.

On SUNDAY.

On Sunday Mr. Carmichael preached, as usual, a most interesting sermon.

On Monday night Mrs. Christopher Tompkins gave a progressive cuchreparty. Those winning the handsome party. Those winning the handsome prizes were Mrs. Wickham, Mrs. Pitt. and Miss Julia Newton.

On Tuesday morning Mrs. Chamberlain, the Noriol's entertained her friends at a converse well as the prize, a silver hat pit This fair and fascinating daughtor of the sunny south has carried off many prizes this summer.

A delicious farewell supper was given by Miss Estelle Courtney on Tuesday evening in her cottage sitting room known as the "Persuader," Very popular indeed this sitting room has proven to the majority of man and maide up a seven-handed cuchre party, and initiated the players into the mysteries of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved very fascinating and many parties have been made up since then. Miss Marie Wilcox, the pretion of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved very fascinating and many parties have been made up since then. Miss Marie Wilcox, the pretion of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved very fascinating and many parties have been made up since then. Miss Marie Wilcox, the pretion of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved very fascinating and many parties have been made up since then. Miss Marie Wilcox, the pretion of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved the many parties have been made up since then. Miss Marie Wilcox, the pretion of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved very fascinating and initiated the players into the mysteries of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved very fascinating and initiated the players into the mysteries of an entirely new way of playing the game. This game proved the many prizes have been made up since then. Miss Marie Wilcox, the playing the playing the game.

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eoga; Miss Helen Orr Pfaff, Indianapolis; Mr. and Mrs. James F. Reld, Norfolk; Miss Warwick, Warm Springs; Miss Wale, Warm Springs; Mrs. E. G. Buck-ner, Owenshoro, Ky.; Joseph S. Tohin, Memphis; Mrs. William H. Ashhursi, Wayne, Pa.; William T. Woodward, Wayne, Pa.; William T. Woodward, Wayneston D. C.

Siriking Amateur Thentricals at Eikton,

ELKTON, VA., August 27.-Special.

"ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE,"

The theatrical season is on at Elkton "Tell it not in Gath! The Play's the "Tell it not in Gath! The Play's the thing!" I do not want it understood that the charming and cultured ladles and gentlemen who participated in our performance deported themselves any better, or any worse, than the audience—the audience, I think, acted admirably. The curious and interesting vein of so-claity that underlies the functions of an amateur theatrical entertainment, really, save these affairs all over the world, from weariness. The tender glance of Sophronia's eye, as, just previous to her entrance upon the stage, she looks with sudden impulse, into the equally handsome orbs of Jack, perhaps imparting a gentle and irresistible squeeze of that achieman's hand, and then "goes on" with her timid little heart in a flutter of delight—all this renders the occasion that memorable time when we lost our hearts—"behind the scenes." And then, the pleasure of the occasion is in no wise impaired by the rollicking "oid salt," who lowis, rolls, and strolls "on" the stage, and then bowls, rolls, and trolls "of" again—who "blasts" many things besides his eyes, and chuckles grimly over his general saltiness and cunning from a land hisbor's point of view.

The gentleman who "comes on" in the middle of the performance and trims the middle of the performance and trims the lights, and who has nothing to do with the plot, or anything else, is, nevertheless, much admired by the "matines" girls in the front, and his handsome looks liberally praised.

The pretty girl who poses as the wife No tennis tournament, card party, or croquet game is complete without some of these happy married folk. At the close of last week Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Groner, of Norfolk, participated in a game of seven-handed cuches, which is thing!" I do not want it understood and a short address by Mr. J. G. Harrison, of Harrison, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison have been here the entire summer, and have won many hearts by their charm of manner and conversation.

On Monday morning the whist tournament was renewed, having been began on Friday morning. Sixteen entered the contest, and so the game was very close and exciting, and when on Tuesday morning, only Miss Pateile Courtney and Dr. Ayres had to play Mr. and Mrs. Percy Blackstone Russell, every one was all eagerness to hear the denouement. Mr. and Mrs. Russell were the victors, and

lees, much admired by girls in the front, and his handsome looks liberally praised.

The protif girl who poses as the wife about whom some doubt exists, secures breathless devotion from the male contingent. It impairs none of the delightful essence of things in general that everything is at sixes and sevens, little understood, less cared about and nothing specially wanted again. We all have to come in for our "spurns that patient merit from the unworthy takes!" Too had! Too true! Too bad! The unsuccessful and surely-tried husband effects a diversion by falling gracefully across two or three chairs in his agony, and the "old salt," amidst a hurricane of chuckles on his part, asseverates his intention, "by the powers!" to see the thing through. So do the audience. Both 'old salt," and spectators take a renewed twist in the rope, and a universal "heave hol" may be imagined.

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Elkton and the surrounding country country turned out on masse to witness the little old-school comedy. I believe it was given for charity, which was plentifully represented in the audience.
Helkho' even the small things seem to cling to our attention, and these old-school plots, on the stage and off, these lesser doings of the world, our little passimes clamor about us, and cause much commotion, indeed. But, "do you know," as I love to quote from my friend. "The Private Secretary," that I think the ultimate end of our little wayward wanderings on the great big globe is paradise? Of I hope so—I hope so—indeed. I do!
Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, etc., are here—theatrical and otherwise. Miss Key, of Washington, is very pleasant on the stage. Likewise my young friend Heber May, of the same place. There were others offering an aurecable and early

THE ONLY PEBBLE'S LUCK.

How He Succumbed to the Gentle

One of the Guests Waxes Ejoquent in Give

Speciacls-How the Days Are Des lightfully Passed at Goshen. THE ALLEGHANY HOTEL, GOSHEN,

VA., September 4.—Special.—It is a com-VA., September 4.—Special.—It is a com-mon observation, confirmed by experience, that the greatest gifts, the most sublime speciacles, and the most beautiful scen-ery in one's own immediate surroundings, by their constant presence—lose their grandour and sublimity; and it is only when some one else from without brings them to our notice by their enthusiastic admiration, that we are struck given by

A SUBLIME SPECTACLE.

CHRONICLES OF THE WEEK.

wonderfel fortunes. The proverbial "small boy" of the party had in the meanwhile found a delightful spot in the merry little creek that flows through the pars, where he was wading and splashing to his heart's content. It proved too irresistable to withstand the temptation, and in a moment the Trilly-like appendages of the entire party were flashing in and out of the sparkling water.

This party are past masters in the genile art of entertaining, in a musical sense. Two are experts with the banjo and mandoling a third operates divinely on a "razoo," while another eliclis bewitching melodies by the aid of a comb withing melodies by the aid of a comb with a paper attachment. Altogether, this musical combination is not a bad one for a bot summer afternson, with maught for audience save a few yellow jackets and a brace or two of wild-eyed natives.

We also discovered an apple tree laden with froit, and after we had "dailled" with it to our heart's content, returned home.

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"THE ONLY PEBBLE'S" BOMANCE. Alas, alas for the fading of to-morrow! One crisp dowy morning just two months ago when the train from the West drew into our quaint little station a dainty, tailor-made girl allighted, accompanied by maid and Saratogas galore; we recognized her at once. "The summer girl" had arrived, and that night when we saw her in the bail-rom in all her furf and chiffons, we were sure of it. She was introduced to the "Only Pebble" that first fatal night, and the young silver moon that shone on our glorious verandas saw her make a decided hit with him.

We named him "The Only Pebble" because he was then, and has been ever since our most eligible catch, and a fascinating dancer withal. At home I am afraid it would have taken a microscope to discover he was even a grain of sand, but here in this wilderness of manuals and small boys, he assumed mountainous proportions.

Satisfied Company.
SHAWSVILLE, VA., Sept. 4-Special.

The crowd at Crockett Springs during this summer of '57 is of a surety a tribute to

the power of the Virginia press.

Last summer advertisements inserted in State papers brought such a crowd of guests that the little hotel quite overflowed and goodly visions of an enlarged building dazzled the mind of the senial host. This summer the pian had materialized and now no pretiter hotel can be found in the mountains of Virginia.

Hefore the season fairly opened most of the rooms were filled and now we have the house full. All of which I claim is due to advertising. A pretty girl hearby suggests the watchword of a certain patent medicine. "We are advertised by our loving friends." but I decline to discuss that view of the matter.

It is a sight for bair sen? (the fad of the day seems Scotch dialect and, as my Scotch vacabulary is inherited, such an opportunity cannot be disregarded), to see a learned indee of the United States Court shouting over a point secred in euchre, while an ex-dovernor of a Southern State ruefully surveys a "goods esg" on the board in the booking alley. Great play grounds are these mountain and sea recorts, relaxing tense nerves, throwing into oblivion knotty problems of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye. Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and laws of life which how the shoulders and dim the eye Great students of man and subtile interpretation of the masters is most artistic. Monlay evening a short musicale, given by Mr. Wally Davis necessity the authoritative necessity of rest and play. The Parson's Wife, Mr. Jamison as "The Parson's Wife," Mr. Jamison as "The Parson's Wife," Mr. Jamison as "The Parson's Wife, Mr

FORD'S LITHIA SPRINGS.

Justice John Was There and Was in Much Demand.

CALLED ON TO MAKE CLOSE DECISIONS

And Rendered Impartial Rolings in Al Games From a l'otato Party to the Correct Step in the German Figures. The Other Visitors,

WAYNESBORO, VA., Sept. 4.-Special This is the most delightful month in the year in the mountains. The verdure of summer is just beginning to turn to the russet and brown, the woods and neids are spotted with ripening nuts and gandy forest flowers and all nature turns its bright and smiling face to man and its creator, stamped with the sublime and majestic touch of the muster painter's

The gailles are still kept up with unabated interest and seal and new features are being introduced. Menday night a potato party occasioned much mirth and merriment. The scheme was to place a lot of large potatoes on the floor and take them up on a small after-dinner concesspoon and carry them serosa the room to a bowl. In this contest Mr. E. N. Massie, of Richmond, won first gentleman's prize, and Miss Levy, of New York, first ladies prize

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The most important event of the week is that we have had "jestice" John, the veritable "Czar of the White Chamber," with us, His visit to Ford's Lithia was enjoyed by all with whom he came in contact, for while the judge is a holy terror on the bench he is one of the most sociable and gental of men while off. Of course, his judicial acumen was brought into service in all decisions relative to games and contests and his verdicts were delivered with that force and decisiveness that has won for him a national reputation in the White Chamber.

Mrs. Crutchfield and her charming daughters and Miss Lawton were also here and it was a source of regret that they could not remain longer.

They were delighted with Ford's Lithia, and Justice John shys he will summer here next senson.

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PHANTOM BALL.
The phantom ball Tuesday night was a
big success and was an innovation in the
way of dencing. About sixteen couples
participated in white robes and dominoes,
and presented a weird and ghostly appearance. Thursday sight a drawing
parry of historical characters was the
feature of the evening; followed Friday
night by the regular german at the
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We are sorry to note the departure of Mrs. J. H. Harvey, of your city, whose vivacious manners and charming social qualities rendered her a prime favorite. We are somewhat consoled by her absence however, by the arrival of Mrs. George Christian. Jr. another charming young mairon of Richmond, to which city we are indebted for an many delightful contributors to our social circle.

AT JEFFERSON PARK,

Bevy of Charming Debutantes Who Do Not Waste Their Sweetness on the Desert Air. JEFFERSON PARK, Sept. 4.-Special.-September has come, but the leaves are still a bright green and show no sign of

turning.

But for the calendar we would not know that Time had swung his seythe around to autumn. The leaves are being gathered, but the time has not arrived for the garnering of them.

The most appreciated favor of the whole summer was the german given by Mr. Gathright to his guests on Friday

Delicate punch was served, with fruit cake, a rarity at this season and one greatly enloyed.

There is a hevy of very charming debutantes here, and not all their sweetness is wasted on the desert air, for beaux are in the majority, fortunately.

Among the most attractive girls at the resort there is Miss Sloussat, of Washington.

ington"A daughter of the gods, divinely tall,
And most divinely fair."
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and Miss Thomas, of Richmond, whose
beautiful dark eyes and piguancy of mannor lend a charm all her own; with Miss
Walthall, also of Richmond—these form a
group which has been named "The Trio,"
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group which has been named "The 1710, and is the centre of more than half the fun which makes life here a thing of merriment and foy.

The gayelies here are not confined to the grown people, for the little folks have their amusements as well.

Monday night they had possession of the ball-room, and enjoyed all the delights of a real tackey party. The different castumes were marvellously gotten up; the very tackiest being that woraby Alma Clush, which won a box of candy of the first prize.

Arthur Kendler reserved the boy's prize, which was also a box of candy. James Woodward's inpersonation of the "Yellow Kid" caused many peals of laughter from the gay little crowd.

Pulmer Ingram looked particularly handsome in a sult of white, trimmed with forn leaves.

Afterwards they had a donkey parly. The girl's first prize (a pearl paper-cutter) was given to Ethel Brandt, and the boys' prize to Ernest Kendler, who won a silver knife. The consolation prize, a box of candy, was won by Mary Warner, and the bookle prize, a "yellow kid" bank, and a cup and sancer, by Arthur Kondler, and Mrs. McKay, respectively. Among the children who took part were:

Beatrice and Miriam Mayfield, Mary Warner, Grace Woods, Palmer and Elanche Ingram. Torm Arthur and Ernest Kendler, Childrey and Jellis Scott, Lenors and George Swift Adelina Stuart, Alma Clash, Kate Chernault, Lessle and Annie Kendler, Lily, James and Clarence Woodward.

Another card party in the lobby was the attraction on Wednesday evening. The prizes were particularly pretty and were won by Mrs. Sims. of Macen, Ga., to whose lot fell an exquisite lineage comband brush tray, and Mr. Crockford, of the University, who received a dainty Dresden clock.

The second prizes were given to Miss Bowcock, of Charlottesville, a chacela-tarie; and Mr. Clifford Swift, a stiver pear

taire; and Mr. Clifford Swift, a suver pen knife.

The booby fell to Miss Ida Cline and was a handsome Venetian vase. The players were Mr. and Mrs. McKay. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill, Miss Bowcock and Mr. Frank Murphy Miss Cline and Mr. Crockford. Miss Warner and Mr. Hermann Swift, Mrs. Sims and Mr. Harmann Swift, Mrs. Sims and Mr. Haskel, Miss Doggett and Mr. Roane, Miss Sloussat and Mr. Hanckel, Mrs. Sizer and Dr. Early, Mrs. Stuart and Mr. Clifford Swift, Jefforson Park is catching a number of habituces of the other Virginia resorts higher up in the mountains, who have come here for the months of September and October.



preached in the Presbyterian church | tie Timberiake, & beautiful dancer and preached in the Presbyterian church down in the village. A special collection was taken up for the payment of the belfry and bell for the church. It was responded to most liberally by the guests of the hotel, for it adds no little to the beauty of the little church.

At night Mr. Portius Dunning, an clocutionist, from Philadelphia, recited several selections, and there was a beautiful sacred concert afterwards.

Monday wight Miss Jessie Rover, along

Monday night Miss Jessie Royer, elocu-tionist, gave a recital in the parlor. There is no doubt that she surpassed everything of the kind given at this hotel this sea-son, and the compliments of the guests certainly were of the highest order. certainly were of the highest order.

On Tuesday Mrs. Shubert, who has endeared hetself to the guests of the hotel by her kindly and charming manner, invited a party of friends for a picnic to a lovely spot in the mountains, where a delightful plenic feast was spread, and the hours passed quickly and most pleasestly under so favorable environments.

Mrs. Tabords won the sond, which mounted of a silver-mounted of silv

most attractive little girl in every way.
A cake-walk is one of the topics for
this week, and several picnics in prospect.
The recent arrivals are over fifty in
number. From Richmond are Mrs. M. M. Lyons, Miss Mary Lyons, Mr. Hancock and mother, R. A. Carrington, Miss Jes-sie Royer, Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. J. J. Patterson, Mr. Steward, wife, child and It was with regret that the guests parted

with one of the most popular of the number this week, Miss Mackay, of St. J. S. THE LAND OF THE SEY.

The Guests of the Green Park Hotel Witness a Dushing Tournament.
GREEN PARK, September 4.—Special.